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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Applicants submit this Statement of the Substance of the Interview, in response to the Interview Summary communicated from the Patent Office on February 8, 2010. Applicants thank the Examiner for the telephone interview conducted on January 29, 2010. Applicants also thank the Examiner for acknowledging that “the amendments made read over the prior art.” However, Applicants believe that the remainder of the Interview Summary (beginning with “[h]owever, claims are still too broad.” and ending with “applicant agrees add more limitation to the strap.”) should read as follows:

However, the Examiner believes that the amended claims may still be too broad and is conducting a new search in light of the RCE filing. The Examiner notes that a point of novelty may be a strap comprising multiple sections connected with a web. If a rejection is made with a new art, applicant has been advised to add one or more limitations to the strap to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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